



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2872**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hideyoshi HORIMAI

Group Art Unit: 2872

Application No.: 09/601,702

Examiner: A. LAVARIAS

Filed: August 4, 2000

Docket No.: 106357

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR RECORDING AND REPRODUCING OPTICAL  
INFORMATION (AS AMENDED)

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 15, 2004 Office Action, the period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, and further to a June 1 telephone conference with Examiner Lavarias, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**

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